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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re Application of:)
Hanns-Joerg Mauk et al.) Examiner: Simone, Catherine A.
Serial No.: 10/725,117) Art Unit: 1772
Filed: December 2, 2003) Confirmation No.: 3331
For: RESILIENT FLOOR COVERING) Customer No.: 00112
WITH REGENERATIVE, DIRT-) Docket No.: 0324
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RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed January 24, 2006. A request for a one-month extension of time to May 24, 2006, and payment of the fee is included in the transmittal letter, filed herewith. A Notice of Appeal is also filed herewith. The claims are not being amended, but are listed for the convenient reference of the Examiner.

Amendments to the Specification: None

Amendments to the Claims: None

Amendments to the Drawings: None

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.